

Approved for use through 07/31/2006, OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE nd to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use as many sheets as necessary)

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to re

Complete if Knows Application Number Unassigned Filing Date Herewith First Named Inventor Frank Joerdens et al Art Unit 1976 Examiner Name Alvin Collins 2003P00282WOUS Attorney Docket Number

Sheet 1 of 2

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

				I DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number  Number-Kind Code <sup>2 of known)</sup>	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Whera Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		<sup>US-</sup> 5,962,568	10-05-1999	Owen H. Decker	
		us- 6,863,923	03-08-2005	Axel Kalleder	
		us- 6,162,498	12-19-2000	Martin Mennig	
		<sup>US-</sup> 5,716,424	02-10-1998	Martin Mennig	
		<sup>US-</sup> 5,731,091	03-24-1998	Helmut Schmidt	
		US- 2003/0059540	03-27-2003	Anette Berni	
		<sup>US-</sup> 6,620,514	09-16-2003	Antalya Ertugrul Arpac	
		us- 5,443,669	08-22-1995	Gerhard Tuenker	
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appaar	П
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> "Number <sup>4</sup> "Kind Code <sup>3</sup> (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY			76
		EP 0 672 736	09-20-1995	Dr. Jan Mazanek		
		DE 198 28 759	12-30-1999	Thomas Naumann		
		EP 0 670 290	09-06-1995	Axel Kalleder		
		DE 195 25 658	11-28-1996	Dr. Wolfgang Schaefer		
	П	DE 100 07 923	10-31-2001	Rolf Stahlmann		
		DE 198 14 211	10-07-1999	Harald Poerner		

Examiner Signature /Alvin Collins/	Date Considered	09/03/2009
------------------------------------	--------------------	------------

\*\*CRAINER: Intel® reference considered, whether or not clasion is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through clation if not in conformance and not considered, include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. \*\*Applicant's unique clation designation number (optional). \*\*See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspids.ogo or MPEP 901 0.4\*\* Either Office in tissued the document, by the two-left-code (VIPPO Stands of \$3.7). \*\*For Application of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the senial number of the patent document. \*\*Knot of documents and the patent of the patent of the patent of the patent occurrent. \*\*Knot of documents of the patent occurrent. \*\*Knot of documents occurrent occurrents occurrent Translation is attached.

Infinishment a statistical of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USFTO to process) an application. Confidentially is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 About to complake including glathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application from to the USFTO. Then will very depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this from another suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Petent and Trademark Office, P.O. 80 at 143, Assertion is, V.2323-1456, OD NOT SEND-FEES OR COMPLETED FORMST OT HADDRESS. SEND. TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

09/03/2009

Considered

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

(Use as many sheets as necessary)
Sheet 2 of 2

US-

/Alvin Collins/

STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

			U. S. PATENT		
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number  Number-Kind Code <sup>2 (f known)</sup>	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		US-			
	-	US-			
		US-			

	-	FOREI	GN PATENT DOCU	MENTS		
Examiner Initiels*	No.1	Foreign Patent Document Publication Date	Neme of Petentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages	Г	
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> "Number * "Kind Code* (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY		Or Relevent Figures Appear	т,
		International Search Report EP/2004/0	003079			V
						L
						-
						L
		l				

\*\*EXAMMEE: Initial inferience considered, whether or not classion is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered, include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. \*Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). \*See Kinds Codes of UNEYO Palant Discourants at <a href="https://www.unique.org/not/">https://www.unique.org/not/</a> 109.104. \*\*Elect Clotte that issued the document, by the her-better code (WIPO Shandred 3'51.3.\* \*For Japanese palent documents, his indication of the year of the regin of the Emperor must procede the serial number of the patent document. \*\*White of document is the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Shandred 3'1.8 if possible. \*\*Applicant is to place or check man kere if English linguage or check man kere if English linguage is the programme of the patent document. \*\*White of document is the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Shandred 3'1.8 if possible. \*\*Applicant is to place or check man kere if English linguage is the programme of the patent document is the patent document. \*\*White appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Shandred 3'1.8 if possible. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if English linguage is the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if English linguage is the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if English linguage is the place of the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if English linguage is the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if English linguage is the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if English linguage is the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if English linguage is the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if the patent document is the patent document. \*\*Applicant to place or check man kere if the patent document

Inflastation is assumed.

This collection of Information is required by 37 CFR 197 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the INS collection of Information is a spiritudinal to the Inflastation is administed to lake 3 hours to complete, underlying phetion, preparing, and solution is perfectly prepared, and solution is perfectly prepared, and solution is perfectly prepared in the Inflastation is perfectly prepared in the Inflastation is perfectly in the Inflastation is perfectly prepared in the Inflastation is perfectly inflastation in the Inflastation is perfectly inflastation in the Inflastation is perfectly inflastation in the Inflastation in the Inflastation is perfectly inflastation in the Inflastation in the Inflastation is perfectly inflastation in the Inflastation in the Inflastation is perfectly inflastation in the Inflastation in

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.